

What controversy surrounded the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) in 1989?

The NEA was accused of using federal money to support "obscene or indecent projects."

In 1620, before going ashore, the Pilgrims drew up the __ __, which established an orderly government based on the consent of the governed.

Mayflower Compact

How did the Virginia gentry respond to Britain's tightening of their local autonomy?

They used political means to block the governor's efforts to increase royal control.

What was the first representative assembly in the New World?

The House of Burgesses

In which colony was the first constitution written? What was it called?

1) Connecticut
2) The Fundamental Orders

After the Gaspee incident, Americans formed _____ to communicate with other colonies regarding possible threats from the British government.

Committees of Correspondence

What two main factions existed at the Second Continental Congress?

1) New Englanders who leaned toward declaring independence from Britain. 2) A group, led by John Dickinson of Pennsylvania, which drew its strength from the middle colonies and was not yet ready to declare its independence.

What three resolves were undertaken by the Second Continental Congress to deal with the divisive factions in the colonies?

1) It adopted a New England army based near Boston and urged other colonies to send additional troops under George Washington's command. 2) It adopted a "Declaration of Causes and Necessity for Taking up Arms." 3) It pleaded with King George in an "Olive Branch Petition" to restore peace by interceding with Parliament.

On June 7, 1776, _____
_____ of Virginia introduced
a series of formal
resolutions in Congress,
calling for independence
and a national
government.

**Richard
Henry Lee**

**What was the
Declaration of
Independence?**

Written largely by Thomas
Jefferson and adopted on July
4, 1776, the Declaration of
Independence explained to
Parliament, loyalists, and the
rest of the world why America
was justified to separate from
Great Britain.

**True or False:
Most of the original
state constitutions
included a bill of
rights.**

True

The first document that
devised a framework for
the national government
of the United States was
known as the _____
_____.

**Articles of
Confederation**